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CONCLUSIONS: The study is scientifically sound but cannot meet core guidelines requirements because of species tested and unstandardized methods used. The results are considered accurrate for endosulfan as the LD50 value is substantiated by results from other scientific studies. No review for the other chemicals was made due to time constraints.

Methods and Materials:

Chemicals were either purchased or solicited from cooperating firms. Wildltrapped birds were preconditioned to captivity for 2-6 weeks. They were dosed by gavage with solutions or suspensions of the test materials in propylene glycol according to methods referenced in the paper, but not necessarily within guidelines methods. LD50 values calculated by acceptable referenced methods.

Reported Results (for Endosulfan only):
Starling LD50 = 35 mg/kg

Discussion:

This study was discovered during the last week of Phase III of the Standards process so that a complete review was not possible because of the time constraints. The paper merely reports results of the studies and no details of methods or results analysis are given for any chemical. Since methods of testing and statistical calulation were referenced from the published literature, the results of these tests are assumed to be scientifically obtained, but time did not permit a rigorus review of the referenced papers. The results should be used with caution.